

Randolph Township Trustees Regular Meeting Thursday, October 10, 2013

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Roger stated that he reviewed the previous meeting draft minutes and found them to be accurate. He asked if there were any corrections or additions. Mike moved to accept the previous meeting minutes as written. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt, B. Murphy, C. Guthier, T. Baker, Melissa. H. Kline, J. Presley

Old Business

Mike reported that the back hoe should be delivered next week. Mike commented that he ran into brick wall with the engineer's cost of \$1,000 – \$2,000 to approve the pavilion at the Old School Park. He stated that we need to find someone at a lower cost. There was discussion about the cost to renovate and feasibility of moving the pavilion from Moyer Field to the Old School Park. Roger suggested placing it on eBay. Mike would like to see it at the School Park.

Sue thanked everyone who viewed Portage Prepares on our web site. Sue commented that our web site has much information about the township and the county. Sue reported on a survey about Waterloo Schools performing random drug testing on students. Approximately 75% of parents are in favor of the testing. Sue stated that there is a definite drug problem within the county.

Roger was expecting to hear back from Darrin Werbeck but did not call him. There was discussion about the cost of field mix cost and the feasibility of purchasing it now for use later.

New Business

Mike stated that it is Trick-or-Treat time. He suggested Sunday, October 27 from 2-4 p.m. Mike moved to endorse the Trick-or-Treat time within our community. Sue seconded. Discussion: Sue requested the information be placed on the township sign. Roger commented that residents who wish to participate turn on their lights. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Sue reported that St. Joseph school will be having an Open House on October 25. Lunch will be provided for those that attend. She stressed the fact that students do not need to be Catholic to attend.

Roger has nothing at this time.

Mary stated that we need to submit a budget revenue amendment to the Budget Commission in the amount of \$25,000. Mike so moved. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary placed copies of the September bank reconciliation in the trustee's mailboxes. She asked if there were any questions. Roger moved to accept the September bank reconciliation. Sue seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Mary requested a motion to appropriate receipts 181 – 192 totaling \$73,689.46 and pay warrants 34817 – 34849, and EFT/vouchers 231 – 240 totaling \$26,334.22. Sue so moved. Mike seconded. RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

Larry presented the Road Department report. Larry reported equipment repairs, road/cemetery maintenance, road mowing, and tree/shrub trimming. Larry stated that the road striping should be completed by next week. Larry stated that they plan to use the road grindings from the 224 project on new driveways in the cemetery. Footers for headstones were dug and poured.

Dan presented the Administrative Assistant report. Three permits were issued. Dan stated that Terry Baker is here to discuss the issue with his property. Mike commented that we had a discussion in the past about appliances in the front yard. Mike questioned Dan regarding the ORC stating a violation. Dan stated that it is a nuisance in the zoning regulations. Dan commented further that depending on opinion it is a visual nuisance since it can be seen from different directions and. Mike stated Dan is the representative of enforcing the zoning codes. The trustees support the Zoning Inspector in doing his job. Mike stated that if a resident's complaint

meets the requirement of a nuisance then it needs to be followed through. Dan commented that the only outlet is the Portage Court courts if it cannot be resolved. Sue stated that more than one trustee has stated that they would help in any way they could. She cannot go to gas station without getting complaints. Sue also commented that the trustees have been taken to task by our own Zoning Board. Mike commented that if the complaint meets the parameters of a nuisance discussion at this time is a moot point. Dan's opinion is that there is enough evidence to litigate. Dan stated that if cooperation is there to clean up the property, the action can be stopped. Mike addressed Terry if the discussion answered his questions. Terry stated that his personal opinion does not enter into the issue. Mike explained the changes to zoning. Terry explained the changes he made. Dan took pictures documenting the improvement which were sent to Chris Meduri. Dan stated Terry did get rid of some things. Terry further explained that due to his new family they have had to combine three addresses to one. Terry stated that he has three good reasons to clean up the property, indicating his family. He further commented that he has a business to run and pay bills. He commented that he does not cause any EPA or health problem and feels most people have clutter at some time. Terry stated that it did not get in this condition overnight and cannot be cleaned up overnight. Melissa stated it is not that they do not want to clean it up but that it will take time to do it. Melissa commented that they do not want to be a problem. Dan stated that many complaints came before he was inspector. Dan stated that the solution is that absolutely everything needs to be done behind the gates most of the time to alleviate the visual nuisance. Melissa explained the changes they are planning to do. Mike asked Dan about Chris' opinion. Chris stated there is a visual nuisance with JMV on the truck and other clutter in front of the house in the public right of way. Dan stated that unfortunately the property is at the bottom of a hill which is visible from the gas station. Mike commented that it should follow the JMV standard. Dan commented that the way it is right now is to proceed with legal action the first of November unless he stops it. Dan feels it needs to be extra neat to solve the problem. There was discussion about what could be in front. Mike feels all scrap needs to be removed. He feels if the north side is cleaned up would fix most of the problem. Sue realizes the guard rail is not his but needs to be fixed. There was discussion about the guardrail condition and a fence. Terry purchased a new guard rail. Mike feels if the guard rail is the same color it would not be visible. Mike stated he has some ideas and suggested Dan and Terry discuss options, Mike feels we should let it stand until we see significant improvement for Dan to witness. Mike reiterated that it is not the trustee's personal opinion. Roger commented that we have no choice not to let it proceed.

Roger presented the fire department report in Chief Lang's absence. Responses for September: EMS – 24; Fire – 4; MVC – 2; Inc – 4; Tests – 4 for a monthly total of 38 and YTD total of 474. Chief Lang reported on membership resignations, new members, and training. The RFD will have treats at the fire station during Trick-or-Treat hours.

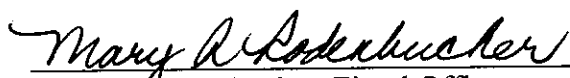
Public Comment

Howard brought up a few issues with the town center. Howard feels there is a safety issue with parking lot at Sarchione Ford. He feels the asphalt is unacceptable for a sidewalk and it should be four feet wide. They should have to conform to sidewalk restrictions. Howard further commented that the vehicles are on state right of way. Howard spoke to John personally about the right of way is a nuisance. He feels the trustees need to address this issue. The second issue is with the loud speaker. Howard spoke to John and thought it would be addressed. He stated that every call is called over loudspeaker which is not professional. He understands using the loud speaker to contact the body shop or parts but he feels other use is noise pollution. Howard asked if Wise's did that. Mike stated that it was used. Mike commented that the complaints have been noted. Mike stated that whether sidewalks are asphalt or concrete is debatable. Mike feels it looks nicer. Howard reiterated the safety issue. Sue stated that every time there was a complaint the Sarchione's have been contacted and they corrected the issue. There was discussion about town center aesthetics, what is acceptable for sidewalks, the condition prior to the asphalt, and the number of people who use the sidewalks. Roger stated that the only reason the sidewalk was installed was due to the school which is no longer there. Mike stated that they will follow through with Sarchione's on the complaints.

Bob commented on drug testing in school. He feels everyone should be treated the same and it should include the administration and teachers.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:26 p.m.


Roger Klost, Chairman


Mary A. Rodenbucher, Fiscal Officer

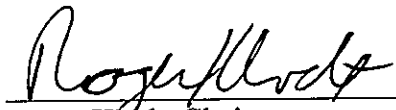
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Randolph Township Trustees Public Hearing Thursday, October 10, 2013

Chairman Roger Klodt opened the hearing at 6:30 p.m. with the pledge. Present: Trustees Roger Klodt, Mike Lang, Sue White, FO Mary Rodenbucher, D. Kolasky, L. Klodt, D. Rice, J. Presley, G. Harrison, H. Kline

Roger explained purpose of public hearing. The Zoning Commission recommended four changes to the current zoning book. Roger read the proposed changes. Neither Mike nor Sue had any comments or questions. There were no questions or comments from those in attendance.

Roger moved to accept the proposed changes as presented by the Zoning Commission. Sue seconded.
RCV: Mike – yes; Sue – yes; Roger – yes.

The public hearing closed at 6:35 p.m.



Roger Klodt, Chairman



Mary A. Rodenbucher, Fiscal Officer